## BPA 2008 Network Open Season

- 1,780 MW of offers with no construction
- Provides 5,480 MW of service, approximately 75% for of wind; meet 85% of the requested capacity during the NOS
- Requires 5 projects including 225 miles of lines
- Total direct cost of \$800M, 2% impact on rates over 20 years
- Limited to BPA Network, no Interties
- Planning 2009 NOS and evaluating a future Intertie Open Season



## BPA Transmission Queue Montana to the NorthWest

- 2008 NOS, 7 signed PTSAs for 340 MW
- Short 91 MW, WOG RAS solution
- Post 2008 NOS queue 670 MW, 12 TSRs
- Inconsistent queue positions BPA & NWE
  - BPA always reminds requestors that they need to also work with NWE
- Colstrip Upgrade Project; collaborative effort with Colstrip Parties and BPA, 500-600 MW additional ATC possible with no new lines

## American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

- Recently enacted "Recovery Act" includes a \$3.25 billion dollar extension in BPA's authority to borrow for capital investments.
- Supports proposed increase in capital spending for transmission, hydro investments, energy efficiency, and fish and wildlife.
- Increased borrowing authority is not an appropriation or grant; simply raises the ceiling on how much BPA can borrow from the U.S. Treasury, money that must be paid back with interest.
- Projects are debt financed, promote economic stimulus without incurring substantial near-term rate impacts.